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Mr. HILL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in sadness to honor the life and bravery of one of Arkansas' finest citizens, Ronald Jason Adams.

On Friday, January 22, Mr. Adams, a lieutenant at the Sherwood Fire Department with 5 years of experience, was shot and killed while responding to an emergency medical call in North Little Rock, Arkansas. He was just 29 years old.

I was honored to attend a flashlight vigil for Jason on January 25 and was moved by the turnout from our entire community to honor his life.

Every time we lose one of our first responders, our community experiences a little fray or tear in our beautifully crafted quilt of our towns.

Our first responders in Arkansas and throughout the country deserve our gratitude and our respect. Lieutenant Adams' death is a tragic reminder of the dangers these brave men and women face every day.

I extend my warmest regards and prayers to his loved ones. He will be greatly missed.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

(Mr. KENNEDY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, this Black History Month, as we celebrate and honor those who shaped American history, we cannot afford to lose sight of the present and our future.

It was only five decades ago that men and women in every corner of this country concluded their patient, persistent, and peaceful march to the voting booth, gaining an equal voice in this country.

You don't have to leave this Chamber to see firsthand the scars that this march left behind. For so many, including some of our colleagues, the memories of being denied that sacred right to vote have never and will never fade.

Unfortunately, Mr. Speaker, some of those similar memories are now forming again for a new generation of Americans.

Respectfully, Mr. Speaker, I ask you to bring the Voting Rights Amendment Act to the floor immediately. Our Nation deserves a vote on this important legislation.

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CONGRATULATING COLONEL SANDY BEST

(Mr. PAULSEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Colonel Sandy Best, who will become the very first female general in the Minnesota Na-

tional Guard, first in history with her promotion to Brigadier General next week.

Best will command the Air National Guard units in Minnesota, including the 133rd Airlift Wing at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport and the 148th Fighter Wing in Duluth.

Colonel Best has served admirably as Director of Strategic Relations and also as Director of Government Relations for the Minnesota National Guard and her promotion is well deserved.

Colonel Best will continue to play a critical role in helping to keep our country safe and secure, and will act as a leader to our military men and women in Minnesota.

Not only that, but this historic event is a welcome precedent for our other Minnesota National Guard members, as I am sure many other women will rise in ranks following in her footsteps.

I look forward to working with Colonel Best—now General Best in the future—as she continues to make Minnesota Air National Guard among the best in the country.

CONGRATULATING THE DENVER BRONCOS ON THEIR SUPER BOWL 50 VICTORY

(Mr. PERLMUTTER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Denver Broncos on winning the 50th Super Bowl.

We have proposed House Resolution 614—the Colorado delegation—to congratulate our team. It is their third Super Bowl victory. It is the culmination of a 12 wins and 4 losses season.

The State of Colorado, the city of Denver, and the Rocky Mountain West are extremely proud of the talented players, coaches, and key personnel. I want to thank General Manager John Elway, CEO Joe Ellis, and the entire Broncos' front office, who spent the off season building a Super Bowl winner.

Head Coach Gary Kubiak, Coordinators Wade Phillips and Rick Dennison, and his staff had great game plans.

The Broncos, through their owners, the Bowlen family, have been a key to the success of Denver and that team, and we want to thank them very much.

I know I speak for everybody in the House of Representatives when I say "Go Broncos!"

MARYLAND SHERIFF DEPUTIES: PATRICK DAILEY AND MARK LOGSDON

(Mr. POE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, five police officers in the United States this week have been gunned down: one in North Dakota, one in Georgia, one in Colorado, and two in Maryland. I am going to talk about the two in Maryland.

On February 10, on a bitter winter day, two sheriff's deputies were called to a disturbance at a shopping center in Abingdon, Maryland. As the deputies were attempting to speak with a disruptive individual, he held a gun to 52-year-old Deputy Patrick Dailey's head and fired, killing him.

Deputy Mark Logsdon pursued the assassin, but Logsdon was also killed by the criminal's gunfire during this chase. Later, the outlaw was shot and killed.

Dailey was a life member of the Joppa-Magnolia Volunteer Fire Company and spent 30 years defending the public as a sheriff's deputy. He was a hero to his two now fatherless children.

Forty-three-year-old Deputy Mark Logsdon was a 16-year veteran of the force, leaving behind three children and a wife.

Both men had been honored for valor during their careers of protecting and serving the community. Patrick and Mark's lives were coldly and maliciously stolen, ripped away from this world and their families.

These men behind the badge are a special breed, a rare breed. They work selflessly, maintaining and restoring order in our neighborhoods. They are the best of our Nation. They protect us from evil, cold, calculated criminals who wish to do harm to the rest of us.

Mr. Speaker, we mourn the passing of these two lawmen who are cut above the rest of us.

And that is just the way it is.

PRESIDENT'S BUDGET, CANCER MOONSHOT

(Mrs. CAPPS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the Moonshot to end cancer, a historic investment in research in President Obama's budget proposal.

For years, the burden of cancer has affected everyone in our Nation. Each and every day, in communities, neighborhoods, and families everywhere, including my own, ordinary Americans and their loved ones are affected by cancer.

As co-chair of the House Cancer Caucus, I stand in solidarity with all patients, and with those involved in their care and their support.

The progress made in the last decade in reducing cancer mortality is a testament to the great potential of our scientific community, but far too many have been left behind.

That is why, with great hope, I urge my colleagues to support funding for the Cancer Moonshot. We need to allow our scientific community to build on the strides they have made so far through comprehensive, multifaceted approaches to making real progress.

By funding the National Institutes of Health and the Food and Drug Administration so that they may work in synergy, we will utilize all of the tools

in our arsenal to save lives across America.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. Curtis, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed without amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 487. An act to allow the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma to lease or transfer certain lands.

The message also announced that the Senate has agreed to a concurrent resolution of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. Con. Res. 31. Concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives.

HONORING ROGER M. SCHRIMP

(Mr. DENHAM asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge and honor the life of a very good and personal friend, Roger Schrimp, who died unexpectedly on Wednesday, February 10, 2016.

Roger and his wife Delsie live in Oakdale, California, in my district. Roger has been a shareholder and a partner in the firm Damrell, Nelson, Schrimp, Pallios, Pacher, & Silva.

Roger is most known for being very passionate, not only about his practice, but in addressing many different areas within our community. Within his practice, he addressed cases before the U.S. Supreme Court, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, U.S. District Court, and the U.S. Tax Court of Claims. In addition, he has gone before several State and local agencies.

Roger was also an active leader in many different local, State, and national organizations. Since 1976, he was a member of the elite group out of Santa Barbara, California, the Rancheros Visitadores. He was appointed in 1996 by Governor Wilson. Roger served a 6-year term on the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. He also served on the Executive Board of the California State Parks Foundation.

Ever since joining the Boy Scouts of America in 1948, Roger has been dedicated to the organization throughout the years. The Eagle Scout has held a variety of voluntary positions within the group, including serving on the National Executive Board.

From 2007 to 2015, Roger was named one of the top attorneys in Northern California by the Northern California Super Lawyers Magazine.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring and recognizing my good friend, Roger Schrimp, who will be missed by many. God bless him always.

TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

(Ms. JACKSON LEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I want to tell the story of Texas Southern University. It started out in Houston, Texas, in the early 1920s to educate then, of course, the colored or Negro population, and they have grown into the 21st century.

In the 1940s, they were expanded because a young man by the name of Heman Sweatt attempted to attend the University of Texas School of Law and he was prohibited, he was prevented. So by a court, the law school was established which is now named Thurgood Marshall.

I really rise to say that this school is a Texas asset, and yet the State of Texas publicly has underfunded this university. In 2000, I helped settle a desegregation lawsuit of which that school had sued because it was discriminated against.

Sadly, I rise today to ask for another investigation by the Department of Education, Civil Rights Division, because the State of Texas is now again discriminating against the students and faculty of Texas Southern University by not funding them equally with other majority-based institutions. It is sad to rise today to say that. But in that school, Barbara Jordan graduated, our colleague; Mickey Leland graduated. Of course, Barbara Jordan was a colleague. Many outstanding scientists and doctors.

Stop discriminating against Texas Southern University. We need to investigate it again to make this school whole.

RECOGNIZING THE BEACON PLACE COMMUNITY CENTER IN WAUKEGAN

(Mr. DOLD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DOLD. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to recognize the Beacon Place Community Center in Waukegan and Executive Director Barb Koracic.

Beacon Place focuses on the power of neighbors helping neighbors by offering a variety of services to the community. They recently received a grant from the Community Purse, which will help them expand neighborhood cooking classes, improve technology for after-school tutoring programs, and obtain fresh produce for children in the summer.

I visited Beacon Place in July and was inspired by the educational activities offered for the children. These programs help children sustain their math and reading skills throughout the summer.

I had a great time participating in the learning by reading and painting with some of these children, and I saw firsthand the benefit that these re-

sources will have in the Waukegan community.

Beacon Place is truly a much-needed and inspiring program, which is why I am honored to be able to recognize them today.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

(Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate Black History Month and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, which was founded 107 years ago today.

Black History Month is an opportunity for Americans to reflect on the contributions of the African American community to this country, on the injustices that they have endured through American history, and how far we have gone and still need to go to end discrimination and racism in America.

This past weekend, I attended the Orange County Heritage Council's 36th Annual Orange County Black History Month Parade and Cultural Fair. I was honored to meet a lot of veterans there, including Mr. Warren Bussey, a World War II hero, and, at 103 years old, the oldest African American living in Orange County today.

Mr. Bussey and others like him are a testament to the enduring legacy of African American commitment to the military service. They went, yet they came back, and there were no civil rights for them.

This month we honor their contribution.

ANIMAL SHELTER

(Mr. FITZPATRICK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join the ASPCA in celebration of their event Paws for Love, and bring attention to the importance of animal shelters throughout our country.

Paws for Love is an annual event, hosted by the ASPCA, as well as many local animal shelters here in Washington, D.C., featuring adoptable pets, along with providing information about adoption.

As a proud parent of an adopted pitbull of my own and co-chair of the Congressional Animal Protection Caucus, I know firsthand the value that local animal shelters offer and how they offer a second chance and loving homes to animals in need.

As we have seen through natural recent disasters, animal shelters were placed in difficult situations when families evacuated and were forced to separate from their pets. These shelters need our help.

Ensuring adequate funding for these programs is incredibly important. I am